

REMARKS

Reconsideration and withdrawal of the rejections set forth in the Office action dated July 12, 2007 are respectfully requested. Enclosed are a Terminal Disclaimer and Petition for 3-month Extension of Time.

I. Amendments

Claims 1, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 24, 26 and 26 were amended to replace the word "that" when used as an adjective, with "said," "a," or "said each," as appropriate to refer to a "term," "word," or "word group" recited in the claim.

No new matter is added by way of these amendments.

II. Objections to the Specification

The specification was objected to as not having a descriptive title and for having an overly long abstract. Applicants have amended the specification to overcome these objections.

III. Rejection under 35 U.S.C. §112, second paragraph

Claims 1-25 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. §112, second paragraph as indefinite for failing to particularly point out and distinctly claim the subject matter which applicant regards as the invention, in that the term "that" is indefinite when used as an adjective.

The claims have been amended to replace all occurrences of the word "that" when used as an adjective, with the more definite "said," "a," or "said each."

The applicants submit that the claims as amended now comply with the requirements of 35 U.S.C. §112, second paragraph.

IV. Obviousness Double-Patenting Rejection

Claims 1-26 were rejected under the judicially created doctrine of obviousness-type double patenting as being directed to an invention not patentably distinct from claims 1-25 of U.S. Patent No. 7,003,516.

A Terminal Disclaimer prepared in accordance with 37 C.F.R. §1.321(b) and (c) is enclosed. The signed Terminal Disclaimer will obviate the above obviousness-type double patenting rejection.

CONCLUSION

In view of the foregoing, Applicants submit that the claims pending in the application are in condition for Allowance. A Notice of Allowance is therefore respectfully requested.

If in the opinion of the Examiner a telephone conference would expedite the prosecution of the subject application, the Examiner is encouraged to call the undersigned at (650) 838-4401.

Respectfully submitted,

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